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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits an Information Disclosure Statement for the above-identified application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §

1.97(b)(3). As such, it appears that no fee is required for consideration of the Statement by the

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Accompanying this statement is USPTO Form 1449, on which the references being

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